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Hi Mead- statement from Jim Martin below. Thanks.

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Since the start of EPA's groundwater investigation in Pavillion, the Agency has been transparent and has relied on the best science to provide residents the facts about the quality of their water. As to be expected, EPA has also consulted with and relied on the expertise of a range of stakeholders, including officials from the State of Wyoming, the Bureau of Land Management and local tribes in this endeavor. As soon as we had data on the two deep monitoring wells, we made that public. As we've said publicly in the past, we agreed to give the State, the tribes and BLM a chance to review the data prior to the release of the draft report, which outlined EPA's initial findings based on the raw data.

Our collaboration with the State and the tribes has now led us to a joint agreement to collect additional sampling data, in conjunction with USGS, from the deep monitoring wells in Pavillion. We will continue to rely on the best science and act with the utmost level of transparency, as we've done in the past.

Jim Martin
Regional Administrator